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REFERENCES

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STATEMENT OF RELEVANCY

Reference AO on Form PTO-1449:

Apparatus and method for reducing phase discontinuity between new data and previously written data on a read/write optical storage medium.

Reference AP on Form PTO-1449:

After interrupting the record to a disk temporarily, the accuracy of the next resumption position of record is raised by detecting and learning a gap of a knot by the method of resuming from an exact position.

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